



# Lowell City Council Arts/Culture SC Meeting Minutes

Michael Q. Geary City Clerk

Date: September 27, 2022

*Time:* 5:30 PM

**Location:** City Council Chamber

375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA / Zoom Hybrid

### PRESENT:

Present on Roll Call were C. Leahy, C. Drinkwater, C. Jenness. Also present were C. Gitschier, Conor Baldwin (CFO), C. Robinson (Zoom), Peter Crewe (Special Events) and Austin Ball (Asst. CFO)

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

C. Leahy noted the agenda of the meeting.

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

Allison Lamey (Lowell Plan) introduced a presentation entitled "Mosaic Lowell – Creative Economy Plan" which was presented in a joint fashion by members of the Steering Committee. The presentation outlined the following items: Vision; Steering Committee; Community Outreach; Goals; and Priority Actions. C. Jenness commented on presentation and noted it was an evolving plan and that the draft should be made available to the public so that they may become engaged in the project. Ms. Lamey noted upcoming time lines and events. C. Drinkwater noted the importance of the project and how it incorporates many entities striving for the same goal. C. Leahy noted that project includes all different forms of artwork and commented on a similar project in Miami. C. Nuon commented on the project and the work of the Steering Committee.

C. Leahy introduces Item #2 on agenda regarding McPherson Park Art Installation. C. Robinson noted how project ties into Mosaic Lowell. C. Robinson there are many possible venues throughout each district within the City. Mr. Crewe commented on public parks and space that are available and that they would be explored. C. Jenness requested information on the application process regarding permits. Mr. Crewe outlined the application procedures to receive a public art permit. **Motion** by C. Jenness, seconded by C. Drinkwater to request City Manager have proper department prepare a report regarding opportunities for public art throughout the City. So voted. C. Drinkwater noted that the City should provide locations

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which would be suitable for public art and inform the artistic community. C. Robinson noted numerous locations throughout the City.

C. Leahy introduced Item #3 of the agenda, Student Art Along Riverwalk. Mr. Crewe noted an artist has been selected and that the project will open many doors for the artistic community.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion** to adjourn by C. Drinkwater, seconded by C. Jenness. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Michael Q. Geary, City Clerk